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Soil Interpretations Committee Charges

The NCSS has a history of beneficial contributions to soil science and soil survey through effective cooperation. These contributions include advances in soil classification and mapping, soil interpretations, and landscape analysis. Soil change is another new and exciting challenge for the organization to help meet customer needs. (Review “Soil Change Information for resource Decision Making: A Blueprint for Action”, Tugel et.al., 2005). Each member of NCSS has a role to play, whether it be through committee work, research, education, or building partnerships outside the NCSS. Suggested actions/charges include:

1. Identify management impacts on soil change and the significance of those changes to environmental, productivity or other issues
2. Review previous NCSS Committee reports back to 1985 related to dynamic soil properties, soil quality, and use-dependent issues. Make a summary of issues and recommendations.
3. Identify Cooperator and Agency needs and uses for DSP data and soil change

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